

## CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

1. A communication terminal comprising:  
a network control unit for closing and releasing a circuit;  
a memory for registering a communication job;  
a recording unit for recording image data on a recording medium;  
and  
a control unit which closes the circuit by the network control unit to make acceptance of an incoming call impossible when the recording unit fails to operate, and which releases the circuit temporarily by the network control unit in the case of calling.
2. The communication terminal according to claim 1 further including an image memory, wherein the control unit makes acceptance of the incoming call impossible when the recording unit (50) fails to operate and the image memory cannot store an image.
3. The communication terminal according to claim 1, wherein after the control unit makes the network control unit release the circuit temporarily, the control unit makes the network control unit close the circuit again when the incoming call is detected.
4. The communication terminal according to claim 1, wherein the control unit makes the network control unit (110) close the circuit again when the calling signal based on the incoming call ends in the case the incoming call is detected after the control unit (10) makes the network control unit release the circuit temporarily, and then a call to the other end is originated.
5. The communication terminal according to claim 1, wherein after the control unit makes the network control unit release the circuit temporarily, the control unit makes the network control unit close the circuit again when the incoming call is detected, and makes the network control unit releases the circuit when a signal which shows a non-sound

terminal is received.

6. The communication terminal according to claim 1 wherein the control unit releases the circuit temporarily so that transmission can be carried out.

7. The communication terminal according to claim 6 further including a display unit for displaying result information of the transmission.

8. The communication terminal according to claim 6 further including a transmission result memory, wherein the control unit makes the transmission result memory store the result information of the transmission therein.

9. The communication terminal according to claim 8 wherein the control unit reads the result information of the transmission from the transmission result memory, and makes the recording unit record the result information of the transmission when the recording unit becomes operable.

10. The communication terminal according to claim 1, wherein it is impossible to register a receiving job in the memory when the communication terminal is in the state in which the communication terminal cannot receive data from a sending side.

11. A communication terminal comprising:

a network control unit for closing and releasing a circuit;

a program memory for registering a communication job;

a recording unit for recording image data on a recording medium;

and

a control unit which closes a circuit by the network control unit so that an incoming call is not accepted when the recording unit fails to operate, and releases the circuit temporarily by the network control unit when the communication job registered in the program memory reaches calling time.

12. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein the control unit causes a call to the other end for transmitting an image after the control unit makes the network control unit release the circuit temporarily.

13. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein the control unit registers a transmission job in the program memory and does not register a receiving job in the program memory.

14. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein the control unit makes the program memory register a transmission job and a receiving job therein, and causes the receiving job to be carried out when the recording unit becomes operable.

15. The communication terminal according to claim 11, further including an image memory, wherein the control unit makes acceptance of the incoming call impossible when the recording unit fails to operate and the image memory cannot store an image.

16. The communication terminal according to claim 11, further including an image memory for storing an image corresponding to the transmission job therein, wherein the control unit makes acceptance of the incoming call impossible when the recording unit fails to operate.

17. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein the recording unit becomes non-operable when recording paper or a toner runs out.

18. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein on the basis of the rotating time of the photoconductive drum, it is judged whether or not the recording unit is non-operable.

19. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein when the communication job registered in the program memory is a

receiving job, the registered job which has reached calling time is carried out after the cause for the malfunction of the recording unit is solved.

20. The communication terminal according to claim 11, wherein when the communication job registered in the program memory is a transmission job and the transmission job has been carried out without a problem, the communication terminal receive a receipt certificate from the receiving side.

21. The communication terminal according to claim 11, further including a display unit for displaying result information of the communication job.